

MINUTES  
SOMERS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT  
APRIL 27 2023

ATTENDEES: Dave Hayes, Rick Kinkel, Dan Vachal, Cardi Chmielewski, Chelsey Spence, Tom Havens, and Beth Dotson

STAFF ATTENDEES: None

VISITORS: Curt White, David Fetveit

ABSENT: None

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by Dave Hayes.

Dan Vachal made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 23, 2023 Board Meeting. Rick Kinkel seconded, and motion carried.

Rick Kinkel motioned to approve April 27, 2023 bills for 7202 in the amount of \$13,171.43. Cardi Chmielewski seconded, and motion carried.

Rick Kinkel made a motion to approve April 27, 2023 bills for 7265 in the amount of \$7,061.09. Chelsey Spense seconded, and motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

None

OLD BUSINESS

Old Hall – David Fetveit gave a brief description of the bidding process. The listing agreement for \$750,000 was based on the appraisal performed by Steve Backer. Pursuant to State statute, public disclosure was accomplished through publication in the Daily Interlake and other on-line real estate listing sites. Three bids were received. Only one bid for \$702,500 met the bidding criteria. Inspection contingencies will be addressed on May 7, 2023. Closing is anticipated to be May 30, 2023. Closing costs are anticipated to be \$44,500.

Rick Kinkel made a motion to except the \$702,500 offer and proceed with the structured offer. Chelsey Spense seconded, and motion carried.

Irrigation System – Quotes will be requested to install an irrigation system. Working on getting the existing lines located. Funding will come from the Bond.

Road to Training Site – Four (4) loads of gravel are required to widen the road. Costs should be no more than \$2000. Rick Kinkel made a motion to purchase four (4) loads of gravel not to exceed \$2000. Cardi Chmielewski seconded, and motion carried.

False Alarm Letter Notification - Cardi Chmielewski made a motion to approve Resolution 2304 that addresses recurring false alarms at the same locations. Rick Kinkel seconded, and motion carried.

Board Meeting Date – Rick Kinkel made a motion to approve Resolution 2303 that changes the Board meeting date from the second Tuesday of each month to a date and time to accommodate timing of bill due dates. Chelsey Spence seconded, and motion carried.

Floors – Floors in the new hall are scheduled to be refurbished on May 2 and 3.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Concrete Pump Testing Pad

The 12'x30' pad the big water container sits on during annual pump testing is sinking. Annual pump testing takes place in August/September. Bond money will be used to install a concrete pad.

Insurance – Insurance renewal is due in June. Requested quotes by May 18 from two (2) companies.

Pavement Sealing – Quote has been requested.

Budget – Budgeting for FY24 has begun.

## FIRE CHIEF'S UPDATE

Calls - 31 calls in April (88 calls to date for FY23).

DNRC Grant – DNRC grant is a 50/50 split. Rick Kinkel made a motion to earmark \$1500 for volunteer pay at the end of year. Cardi Chmielewski seconded, and motion carried.

State Grant – State grant is a 90/10 split and will be used to purchase two (2) radios.

Hall Rental - Women's Card Club wants to use Lakeside Hall for the monthly club date.

Equipment Rental for the State – SRFD is the only fire district signed up to date.

Truck 532 - Motor mount going out. Requested cost to repair.

Rick Kinkel made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:16. Chelsey Spence seconded, and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Beth Dotson  
SRFD Secretary